

House Resolution 573

By: Representative Coomer of the 14th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending The Yanmar America Corporation for its superior efforts
2 during a natural disaster; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Yanmar America Corporation is a primary employer and community part of
4 Adairsville, Georgia; and

5 WHEREAS, the city of Adairsville was struck by an EF3 tornado on January 30, 2013,
6 which resulted in loss of life and the loss of property valued in excess of 75 million dollars;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, the devastation wrought by the tornado overwhelmed the community and the
9 capacity for immediate response by both agencies and organizations; and

10 WHEREAS, within two days of the tornado, Yanmar America Corporation loaned the city
11 six tractors with various implements for the volunteers to use during the cleanup efforts; and

12 WHEREAS, with the help of the Yanmar tractors, volunteers were able to accomplish what
13 would have taken three to four months in only ten days; Yanmar tractors are still on site
14 being used daily in the continuous disaster relief efforts with the corporation's employees
15 assisting daily to repair or change the tractor tires as needed as the volunteers continue
16 working in the area; and

17 WHEREAS, Yanmar America Corporation collected food, toiletries, and clothing for
18 displaced families; offered its shower facilities for the use of displaced families and
19 volunteers; and donated over \$3,000.00 in employee contributions for the relief effort; and

20 WHEREAS, Yanmar employees have volunteered many hours during this recovery out in
21 the field and in the relief storm shelter; and

22 WHEREAS, Yanmar America Corporation, through hard work and dedication to the
23 Adairsville community, has saved the taxpayers of the city of Adairsville, Bartow County,
24 and the State of Georgia millions of dollars in cleanup, recovery, and reconstruction costs.

25 NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
26 the members of this body commend The Yanmar America Corporation on its service to the
27 Adairsville community and the State of Georgia.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
29 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to The Yanmar America
30 Corporation.